The Defense Institute of International Legal Studies presents resident courses at the Naval Training Station in Newport, RI. Excellent facilities exist at the base for lodging, government messing, and seminars. The base is located 30 minutes from the Providence, RI airport, 1 1/2 hours from Boston MA (Logan International Airport), and 4 hours from New York City (Kennedy International Airport).

Newport is an interesting city with a vivid colonial history, mansions from the 19th Century, beaches, cultural activities, and proximity to many other interesting sites.

At present, four resident courses are offered:

CONDUCTING MILITARY AND PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULE OF LAW (MASL P176019)

This five and a half week program is designed to prepare officers for service in coalition and peace operations. The course is also of value to those involved in domestic operations such as disaster relief and riot control. Emphasis is placed on conducting military operations within the rule of law. The multi-faceted curriculum involves expert guest speakers, working visits to the United Nations, Pentagon, State Department, and Capitol Hill, and an active Informational Program. Diplomats, staff officers, military legal advisors, and individuals from nongovernmental organizations will also benefit.

- Week 1 Overview, Coalition Military Operations, International Law, UN Charter, UN Mandates and Processes, Regional Organizations, Intervention, UN Civil-Political Activity, Nongovernmental Organization Coordination, Peace Building Operational Models, and Media Relations.
- Week 2 Command and Control, Training for Peace Operations, Law of Armed Conflict, Rules of Engagement, and working visit to the United Nations.
- Week 3 Status of Forces Agreements, International Claims, Information Operations, Logistics and Material Support, War Crimes, Negotiating Status of Forces Agreements, Peace Building, and International Administration, Human Rights, Military Justice, Environmental Considerations, Humanitarian Operations, and Disaster Relief.
- Week 4 -Working visit to Washington DC., National Policy for Peace, Interagency Cooperation, The U.S. Government and Military.
- Week 5 Mediation and Conflict Resolution presented by the U.S. Institute for Peace.
- Week 6 Two-day Operations Exercise and Graduation.
- English Competency Level (ECL) of 80 is required.

- In addition to standard funding for international participants, this program may, with permission, be funded by Enhanced International Peacekeeping Capability (EIPC) and Counter Terrorism funding.
- Fees cover lodging and transportation during working visits.
- Lodging and government meals are available on base.
- Future course dates:

14 April - 22 May 2003 13 October - 19 November 2003

MILITARY LAW DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (MASL P176026)

This ten-week course is presented annually in Newport, RI commencing in October and May. It is designed to assist international officers and civilian officials in the development and improvement of their own military legal systems through a comparative study of U.S. military law. Participants attend some classes at the Naval Justice School, including parts of the Accession Lawyer and Legal Officer courses. They also attend the course on Conducting Military and Peacekeeping Operations in Accordance with the Rule of Law. Key Informational Program (IP) activities will involve trips to Boston, New York, and Washington DC. After exposure to the U.S. military justice system, training, and institutions, participants conduct research based on a comparison of their own legal system and that of the United States, with an emphasis on recommendations for their own governments.

Topics include: Rules of Evidence, Court-Martial Administration, Administrative Separations, Investigations, Law of Armed Conflict, Treaty Law, Training of Judge Advocates and Court Personnel, Rules of Engagement, and Maritime Law Enforcement.

- An ECL of 85 is desired.
- Future course dates:

14 April - 3 July 2003 13 October – 12 December 2003

PEACEKEEPING FOR DECISION MAKERS (MASL 176017)

This two-week course is designed for high-ranking officials who need a full knowledge and understanding of the legal considerations that will impact the involvement of their country in international peace operations. A working visit to UN Headquarters and the participation of highly qualified guest instructors are significant features of this program.

Specific topics include International Law, Rules of Engagement, UN Mandates, the Legal Structure and Current Status of Peace Operations, Peace Building, and National Peace Operations Policy.

- An ECL of 80 is desired
- Future course dates: 28 July to 8 August 2003

INTERNATIONAL LAW OF MILITARY OPERATIONS (MASL 17602)

This two-week course is designed for military officers and civilian officials who are engaged in military operations, operational planning, or in providing legal advice and need to increase their knowledge of the international law governing military operations. The goal of the course is to enhance the capability of participants to assist in planning military operations and guide commanders towards effective military operations that uphold international legal standards. This course will be co-presented by DIILS staff, Naval War College staff, and featured international presenters.

Topics include: Legal Restrictions on the Use of Force, Law of Armed Conflict, Rules of Engagement, Status of Forces Agreements, Role of the Legal Advisor in Planning Military Operations, and Laws Governing Operations on Land, Sea, and Air.

- An ECL of 80 is desired.
- The first offering of this course will be 16-27 June 2003

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